(b) and (c) There is no rule either providing for or preventing the Government from taking such action.

(d) In the reply to part (b) of Unstarred Question No. 264 it had been stated by Government on July 24, 1997 that the requisite information is not available as the same is not monitored centrally. In so far as the Department of Personnel and Training is concerned, no officer who had retired from service has been given extension in service and promoted.

(e) Does not arise, in view of (d) above.

Directives to the CBI

1801. SHRI NARENDRA MOHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether, Government through the Cabinet Secretary, have directed the CBI to operate in silence and to avoid press exposure and to be sure of its judicial grounds, before the courts are approached;

(b) if so, what is the rationale behind these directions; and

(c) whether it would not compromise the much publicised Government version about autonomous character of this premier investigating agency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS. (SHRI S.R. BALASUB-RAMONIYAN): (a) No, Sir.

(a) and (c) Do not arise, in view of (a) above.

Action Against Erring CBI Officers Living in Noida

1802. SHRI MALTI SHARMA: SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether C.B.I officials can oppress and exploit the innocent people;

(b) if not, the details of complaints received from M.Ps. against CBI Officers living in NOIDA;

(c) what are the details of follow-up action, so far, in this regard;

(d) if not, what are the specific reasons therefor; and

(e) by when disciplinary/positive action would be initiated against the erring officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) no. Sir.

(b) A complaint that one senior Scientific Officer-II of Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CBI) New Delhi as tenant had stopped paying rent, electricity and water bills after Aug., 1996 on various excuses to his landlady, was received in the CBI through a Hon'ble Member of Parliament.

(c) and (d) CBI has informed that the dispute has been settled by both parties, who have also given written undertakings that they will maintin amicable relations and the complaint has also since been withdrawn by the complainant viz. the land lady.

(e) Since the matter has been settled and the complaint has been withdrawn, no further action is required to be taken.

Request of the GOA Government for Transfer of a CBI GfTicer

1803. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER of be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Goa Government has asked for the transfer of a CBI officer in Goa as the Goa Government has. submitted a file containing malpractices/corruption charges against that officer;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and